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PETITION TO REVIVE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b)

Sir:

This petition is responsive to the Notice of Abandonment mailed 03 April 2006 in the above-captioned application. Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner to revive the subject application in view of the fact that the failure to reply to the outstanding Office Action was unintentional.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a)

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An Advisory Office Action was mailed 08 November 2005 in the subject application, responsive to Applicant's submission after final under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 dated 28 October 2005. The Advisory Action set the period for reply to run three months from the mailing of the previous Final Office Action, i.e., 23 August 2005. Responsive to the Final and Advisory Office Actions, Applicant prepared a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, and an amendment in accordance with the submission requirement therein, to be filed by facsimile on 23 December 2005, together with a request for extension of time as necessary. That facsimile was transmitted on 23 December 2005, but inadvertently directed to a facsimile number other than the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, as shown on the included facsimile coversheet and confirmation page. This error was not discovered until receipt of the Notice of Abandonment. A copy of that submission is attached hereto as Exhibit A, and is offered as the necessary reply, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b)(1).

The fee for this petition, pursuant to § 1.17(m) is enclosed.

In light of the aforementioned facts, Applicant's representative hereby states that the entire delay in responding to the outstanding Office Action, from the due date of the reply until the filing of this petition, was unintentional.

Because the instant utility application was filed after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.

Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that this petition to revive is grantable, and kindly requests an early indication of the same. Further, Applicant kindly requests

acknowledgement of the Request for Continued Examination, entry of the included amendment, and further prosecution before the Examiner in due course.

Respectfully Submitted,

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